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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:   
Deputy to the DCI for Resource Management

SUBJECT: Publishing Outside the Intelligence Community

REFERENCE: "The Contribution of Intelligence Collectors to  
Assessing Soviet Ballistic Missile Force  
Effectiveness," May 1978

1. Action Requested: That you approve release of a SECRET NOFORN version of the reference to the Office of Naval Research for publication in the "Proceedings of the 41st Symposium of the Military Operations Research Society (MORS)."

2. Background:

a. Between December 1977 and March 1978, the Office of Performance Evaluation and Improvement (OPEI) undertook an analysis of the uncertainties about characteristics of the Soviet ballistic missile force, how the uncertainties are related, the priority for reducing them, and the collection capabilities needed to reduce them. The purpose of the analysis was not to second guess the quality of the estimates but, rather, to understand the payoff for improving any estimate. The reference is the report of that study and is classified TOP SECRET, SI, SAO. It has been forwarded to you.

b. At the request of the Director, OPEI, the authors sanitized the report to the SECRET NOFORN level and submitted it to the Military Operations Research Society (MORS) for presentation at their 41st Symposium. MORS accepted the paper as a contributed paper to be presented at a general meeting of the participants. Contributed papers are automatically accepted for

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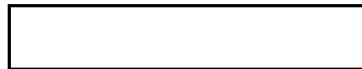
publishing in the Proceedings of the meeting and are in competition for the David Rist Prize which is awarded to the best paper of the meeting. This participation was explicitly approved by all the pertinent offices including the Office of Security.

c. Now the Office of Domestic Security does not approve releasing the paper for publication. Apparently they are concerned that controls on dissemination that satisfy DoD (MORS is sponsored by the Office of Naval Research) do not meet CIA's criteria.

d. Since the Symposium in July, MORS has repeatedly requested the authors to secure release of the paper. To be considered in the competition, the chairman of the judging committee must have the paper by 28 August 1978. The official deadline for publication was 7 July 1978 but the authors have been assured that their paper will be included if they submit it as late as mid-September.

e. In view of your stated intention to make our work more widely accessible, it seems inappropriate to withhold publication of a paper at this level of classification.

3. Recommendation: That you approve release of a SECRET NOFORN version of the reference to the Office of Naval Research for publication in the Proceedings of the 41st Symposium of MORS.



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